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**Identical letters dated 21 April 2009 from the Permanent
Representative of Lebanon to the United Nations addressed to the
Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council**

On instructions from my Government, I transmit to you herewith a statistical summary of Israeli violations committed from 1 to 14 April 2009.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter and its annex circulated as a document of the sixty-third session of the General Assembly, under agenda item 15, and of the Security Council.

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Ambassador
Permanent Representative



**Annex to the identical letters dated 21 April 2009 from the
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addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the
Security Council**

**Israeli violations, acts of aggression and other activities from
1 to 14 April 2009**

Air violations

On 1 April 2009:

- Between 0835 and 1000 hours, an Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft circled at a high altitude over the 11th Brigade sector (central sector, south of the Litani river).
- Between 1645 and 2150 hours, an Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace. It entered over the sea off Naqurah flying north and circled over Beirut before leaving over Naqurah.

On 3 April 2009, between 0907 and 1825 hours, an Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Alma al-Sha'b. It circled over the South before leaving over Alma al-Sha'b.

On 4 April 2009, between 0955 and 2225 hours, an Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Rumaysh. It circled the South, Rashiya al-Wadi and Riyaq before leaving over Kafr Kila.

On 7 April 2009, between 1620 and 2110 hours, an Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Naqurah. It circled the South before leaving over Naqurah.

On 8 April 2009, between 0657 and 1345 hours, an Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace. It entered over Naqurah flying north and circled the South before leaving over Rumaysh.

On 10 April 2009, between 0840 and 1515 hours, an Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace. It entered over Naqurah flying north and circled the South before leaving over Naqurah.

On 11 April 2009:

- Four Israeli warplanes violated Lebanese airspace. At 1030 hours, two of the warplanes entered over the occupied Shab'a Farms, circled over Beirut and the South and left at 1137 hours over the sea off Tripoli, heading in the direction of Turkey. The other two warplanes entered at 1034 hours over Kafr Kila, circled over the entire country and left at 1105 hours over Rumaysh.
- Between 0700 and 1635 hours, an Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace. It entered over Alma al-Sha'b and circled over the South before leaving over Alma al-Sha'b.

On 12 April 2009, between 1005 and 2040 hours, an Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace. It entered over Naqurah flying north and circled over the South before leaving over Naqurah.

On 13 April 2009, at 0715 hours, an Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace. It entered over Alma al-Sha'b flying north and circled over the South, Riyah and Baalbek before leaving over Alma al-Sha'b on 14 April at 0200 hours.

Sea violations

On 3 April 2009, at 0430 hours, an Israeli enemy launch located 100 metres south of buoy no. 3 shone a searchlight for five seconds in the direction of a Lebanese fishing boat located north of the line of buoys. At 0525 hours, the launch shone a searchlight for 30 seconds in the direction of three fishing boats at the same location.

On 13 April 2009, at 2010 hours, the Israeli enemy shone a searchlight for seven seconds from its position at Ra's Naqurah in the direction of Lebanese territorial waters to a distance of 300 metres north of the line of buoys (buoy no. 7).

On 14 April 2009, at 2044 hours, the Israeli enemy shone a searchlight for five seconds from its position at Ra's Naqurah in the direction of Lebanese territorial waters to a distance of 300 metres north of the line of buoys (buoy no. 2). It did so again for four seconds at 2157 hours.

Acts of aggression in the field

On 1 April 2009, at 1815 hours, an Israeli enemy Merkava tank positioned itself approximately 300 metres from the Blue Line, opposite the Lebanese Army post at Mays al-Jabal. It pointed its gun towards Lebanese territory before leaving at 1830 hours.

Israeli activities

On 4 April 2009, between 0730 and 0735 hours, an Israeli enemy launch fired at seven naval gunnery target balloons. At 0800 hours, one of the target balloons entered Lebanese territorial waters near buoy no. 2. It is believed to have been carried into Lebanese territorial waters by the current.